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LIBRARY & RESEARCH HOURS

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Sat 9.30am to 12.30pm (3rd Sat 9.30am to 4pm)

Mobile Phone Number 0492 128 499 —Library hours only. No text messages.

MEMBER MEETINGS

Member Meetings are held the 3rd Thursday of each month (except December) at 1.30pm

at the premises and via Zoom: Corbould Park Racecourse, enter Gate 2,

Guest speakers are as advised in the Clipper. Visitors are welcome to attend.

RESEARCH ENQUIRIES

We are able to carry out research, within the resources we hold, for members and non-members.

The cost will be calculated by the Research Team. Post or email your enquiry to the above address.

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NEWS ITEMS

GENERAL MEETING GUEST SPEAKERS

21 March:
Les Clarke.
Topic: "Clarke Family -
Fishermen of Caloundra"

18 April:
Ian Edwardson.
Topic: "They Passed This
Way" - WWII units after they
left Caloundra.

16 May:
Garry Reynolds, railway
historian.
Topic: "Station of the Cross"

GENERAL MEETINGS
and **GROUP MEETINGS**
Details on pages 12, 13 and 14

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Hello members,

US expert Thomas MacAntee, of Genealogy Bargains, writes for us on how to future-proof your research.

And our enthusiastic brick wall helpers are active again

On the other hand a case of extravagant over-enthusiasm (Page 8) led to a man in Spain being sentenced to two years' jail.

Everything in moderation, please.

Editor

— Terry O'Connor,

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



I KNOW WE are nearing the end of the second month of 2024 (where did the first one go?) but it is still a new year and I just wanted to shout it out!

The heat has been abominable and I'm pretty sure I can say with support that we will be glad when it is over. I do know that several of our members have been struggling to cope so hope you can all bounce back soon.

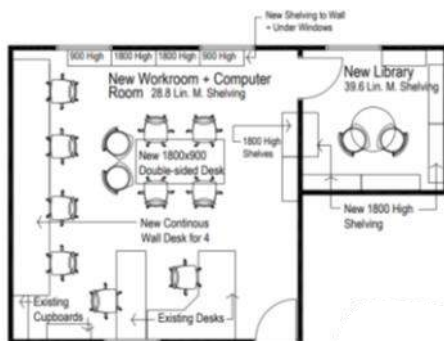
I'm sure our new air conditioners have been a huge relief to members and visitors coming to the rooms. They are so quiet and make for such pleasant surroundings.

Our Christmas lunch at the Corner Pocket & Grill in December was great. The food was yummy and the venue perfect. Many thanks to member Chris Triffett and her staff for making our day so good. The lucky door prizes seemed never ending, and yep, you guessed it, I did not win anything, but hubby did which was lovely. Many thanks to Cathy Meyer for all the hampers and lucky door prizes. A lot of work went into making them so attractive. Roz's trivia was as annoying as ever, but I can't complain as our table won the prize. Well done Roz in trying to trick us.

We are in the final throes of compiling a grant application to renovate the library and computer room.

If you haven't had a chance to see the plans designed by our very own new member, Chris Klar, here they are:

By swapping these rooms around, it will give so much more



space and extra equipment for members and visitors to use. So, everyone, keep all your toes and fingers crossed and hope we are successful.



Our guest speaker in January was Tim Hill who spoke about “Norwegian Family History Research”. It was very interesting, made more so by Tim’s great explanations of the naming process used in this country for many centuries. No wonder we have trouble finding our ancestors. Tim’s quirky sense of humour enhanced the experience.

Then in February we were totally enthused to invite Shauna Hicks back to speak on “Finding Family in Ireland Online”. Everyone knows that finding ancestors in Ireland is difficult because many of the records were burnt, but Shauna’s talk opened many new doors to explore. So there is no excuse for not trying to find your Irish ancestors. Both Tim and Shauna are members, and we are so fortunate to have such talented and knowledgeable people amongst us. (This is a very “not so subtle” hint for others to follow suit and give a presentation. We love hearing from our members so don’t be shy.)



Added to Shauna’s talk was the Irish-Scottish seminar hosted by Genealogy Sunshine Coast in Nambour on Saturday 17 February. For eight hours we were exposed to so many records from two fantastic Irish guest speakers. They knew everything you would want to know about Irish research. Five of our members attended and apart from being totally exhausted at the end, because it was so full on, we thoroughly enjoyed the experience. No more excuses – there are many Irish resources available. You just have to start looking.

At our last general meeting we celebrated 10 years at the Sunshine Coast Turf Club by having a delicious cake. Marie from the Turf Club joined us. We are very fortunate to have such a great landlord and thank them for the help they provide whenever we ask.



Trisha Hyde, our training officer, has been very busy. A survey was sent to members asking what type of training they would like. The response was reasonably good which allowed Trisha to plan for the next 12 months what courses would be upcoming. Can I say you have no idea how much work Trisha has put into first sending out the survey, then compiling the results and finally putting everything into action. So it is extremely disappointing that, for example, 15 people wanted Word and Excel training and only three booked into each of the courses. This will probably result in Trisha not offering the courses next year. Please, come along to these **free** training courses – they are being put on because you asked for them.

Likewise, Roz Kuss, our vice president, has been very busy organising outings, without a lot of support. The trip to Queensland Family History Society (QFHS) at Chermside in Brisbane was postponed due to lack of numbers. It has been re-programmed for 22 March. You have no idea of the extent of their records. And they open up just for us, with their volunteers giving of their time and energy to help our members. So again, please make an effort to go on the next visit to QFHS. You won't be disappointed.

An upcoming event includes a visit to Yandina Historic House & Museum on Monday 25 March. Devonshire teas and a light lunch are available to buy. Both premises are free to enter.



All our outings involve car-pooling. We usually meet at the rooms and pile into someone's car. If you really want to go on any of these trips but don't want to drive, or do not possess a car, that is not a problem. We always have others who are happy to be your chauffeur. Each passenger is asked to give the driver \$10 for fuel.

To book for outings, visits, training courses, etc, just go to our website and book online. It is easy and something you can do from your home computer. If anyone would like help with their booking, do not hesitate to

contact Trisha Hyde. Trisha also gave a good explanation on how to do this at the February general meeting and her notes on this have already been sent out to members.

Roz Kuss and Ralph Gray represented us at Landsborough Museum when asked by Council to give a talk on William Landsborough. Apart from the heat, the attendees were thrilled to hear their talk. I believe there were over 50 people in the hall, which was great. These types of opportunities to get our name out there are invaluable. Many thanks to Roz and Ralph for giving this talk, and especially Ralph who prepared much of the PowerPoint presentation.



On Sunday, 18 February we had our first cake stall at Caloundra Bunnings. Many thanks to those members who overwhelmed us with goodies to sell. Your generosity is outstanding and very much appreciated. Thanks also to those who volunteered on the stall. Cathy Meyer and Valerie Thornton pulled this event together and we are so appreciative of their efforts. We made a very healthy profit of just over \$650. We could not do it without your help.



Don't forget about **War Histories of our Soldiers** project. Again, Trisha steers us through the maze of records, making it easy to include relevant information in an Excel document that will be our foundation to writing their stories. Even though we have been meeting for several months on this project, you can still join us now to start your project. In fact, it will be easier as we have ironed out a lot of the problems, making your journey into the lives of our soldiers more enjoyable. We aim to publish a book of their stories, probably for Anzac Day 2025. It is a great way to honour our brave ancestors.

Make use of our interest groups. Many people who attend these groups have experienced problems and found solutions that could perfectly match your own. They love a challenge and would be very happy to assist anyone who asked for their help.



In April and May, we have again joined the National Trust to promote the historical walks in Caloundra. We talk about Bulcock Street and Bulcock Beach, the history of these places, the people who created them and the history behind many of the buildings and businesses along the way. It is great imparting information to others and to show them just what a great place Caloundra is. If you are free on 21 & 28 April or 5 & 12 May

and would like to help with these walks, please let me know.

I will be conducting a *Buddy Training Course* on Friday 8 March. When a new member joins us, it is such a relief to them to have someone they can call a buddy. It is so important to make our new members feel welcome and to be there to help them settle into the group. I always say you don't do their research for them, but a little guidance on where to find things and how to use our resources, will go a long way to making them feel part of our group. So, if you would like to be a buddy, then book online now or just turn up on the day. You could be making a life-long friend.

– **June Blackburn, President**

Taking genealogy to extremes

A MAN who stole ancestors' baptism and marriage certificates to falsify his genealogy has been sentenced to two years in prison by Spain's Supreme Court. *Nation World News Desk* reported that the unnamed man tried to use the false certificates to be promoted to Knight of Honor and Devotion in the Order of Malta.

Spain's Supreme Court rejected an appeal against the decisions of two lower courts sentencing the man to two years in prison for crimes against historical heritage. He said he had returned the documents under the secrecy of confession in a parish in Madrid, but he was found to have torn up and "disappeared" his parents' baptismal and marriage certificates.

Help needed with brick walls

What are Lydia Ward's parents' names?

THE ANCESTRY website has Lydia's parents as Thomas Ward and Ann (Tongue or Vincent) maiden surname.

I am not convinced by their entries.

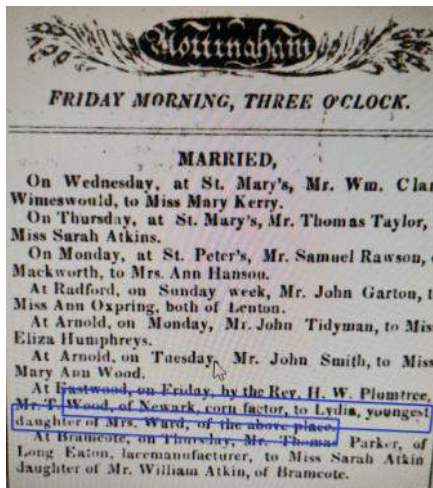
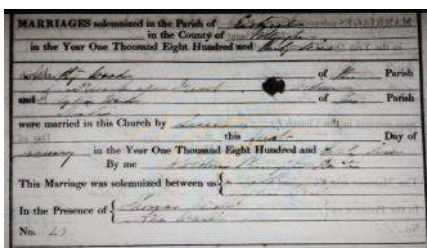
On Lydia's marriage to Timothy Wood on 1 January 1836 at Eastwood St Mary's Anglican Church at Nottinghamshire, UK, Thomas and Ann Ward are listed as witnesses.

A newspaper mentioned Lydia as the youngest daughter of Mrs Ward. This suggests Thomas on the marriage entry was perhaps a brother to Lydia, whose baptism date was 19 July 1807 .

The family lived in Newark Upon Trent.

Any clues appreciated.

Cheers, Kay Middlemiss



Where was John Currie born?

JOHN CURRIE said he was born in Glasgow about 1849. But was he? There is no record of his birth in Scotland's People. On his marriage certificate his father is called John Currie and he is an engineer. There is no mention of his mother, but on his death certificate she is noted as Jane Trainer. Was he actually born in Ireland, especially Northern Ireland as there was constant movement between the two countries by people looking for work? The name Currie also allows for many different spellings. John was a marine engineer and fireman. **Thanks, June Blackburn**

Please contact brick wall authors for help with deciphering illustrations.

Library opening hours

THURSDAYS 9.30am — 4pm SATURDAYS 9.30am — 12.30pm

except

3rd THURSDAY 9.30am—noon 3rd SATURDAY 9.30am—4pm

The library volunteer roster can be found on the CFH website.

Please arrive at least 20 minutes before starting your shift

Brick wall all the way from Germany

What happened to these daughters? Caroline (or Karoline) Siewart was my 2x great grandmother. Her father was Zeabert Siewart. She married twice, originally to Wilhelm Bochow. She had three children by Wilhelm including two daughters, Augusta born circa 1846 and Mary (Maria?) born circa 1848.

Her second marriage was to August Johan Fechner on 4 February 1854. Both marriages took place in Rüdersdorf, Brandenburg, Prussia. The couple had three daughters and four sons, including Bertha born circa 1855.

The family group comprising two of her daughters, her son from her first marriage and her others sons left Hamburg on 3 April 1877. But I do not know what happened to Augusta, Mary or Bertha. According to Caroline's 1918 death certificate, the three were still living when Caroline died. Did they marry and come to Australia under a different name? Did they marry and stay around Rüdersdorf? If so did their sons fight for Germany against their cousins from Queensland? Can the brains trust help solve this puzzle? **Thanks Trisha Hyde**

Living	Years
Augusta	72
Mary	70
Carl	67
Bertha	66
Manfred	61
Maria	61
August	59
Martin	59
Georg	59
Deceased	
Manfred	1 male

A fast result – maybe

Jan Swift wrote: I don't have a brick wall as such, but a call out to members to see if they could check their bookshelves for books on Queensland or specifically anything they may have on Roma.

I seek a photo of the Bowen Hotel, Roma, built about 1863, which about 1890 became a boarding house called Bowen House. My husband's 2x great-grandfather died on its verandah in 1865. The Roma FHS drew a blank.

Thanks. Jan

June Blackburn responded:

I indexed a book called *150 Years of Roma* which is in our library.

I still have the index on my computer so if you would like to give me the name of your husband's 2x great-grandfather, I could look it up. There are references to the Bowen Hotel on pages, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 26, 28, 32, 34, 35, 37 and 48.

What happened to Sarah Davies?

Two independent spinster sisters named Davies were living at Princes Street Shrewsbury, Shropshire in the UK, according to the 1861 census.

Eliza died of apoplexy in 1863.

Sarah was born in St Chad Parish Shrewsbury in 1805 to Joseph and Mary Davies, shoe manufacturers and non conformists.

Sarah was the only recipient of Eliza Davies 's will.

There are so many people in Shrewsbury with the name Sarah Davies listed as deceased in this area.

How do you narrow down the list to find her burial and get the correct death certificate?

Thanks, Kay Middlemiss

Name	Sarah Davies
Sex	Female
Age	56
Birth Year (Estimated)	1805
Birthplace	Shrewsbury, Shropshire
Residence Place	Princes Street
Marital Status	Single
Occupation	Proprietor Of Houses
Relationship to Head of Household	Head
Event Type	Census
Event Date	1861
Event Place	Shrewsbury St Chad, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, England, United Kingdom
Registration District	Shrewsbury
Household	2217681

No of Inhabitants	Household	House, Street, Lane, and No. or Name of House	Number of Inhabitants	Name and Surname of each Person	Relation to Head of Family	Condition	Age of Male Female	Rank, Profession, or Occupation	When Born
70	Princes Street	1	Henry Lowley	Head	Mar	24	70		Sarah Wellington
			Annabel Dean	Wife	Mar	29			William Davies
			Annabel Dean	Daughter	Un	4			Sarah Shrewsbury
			Eliza Dean	Sister	Un	2			Do Do
71	Do	1	Sarah Davies	Head	Un	56	Proprietor of Houses	Do Do	Do Do
			Eliza Davies	Sister	Un	53	Do Do	Do Do	Do Do
			Sarah Davies	Sister	Un	51	Do Do	Do Do	Do Do
72	Do	1	Thomas Whitlock	Head	Un	51	Do Do	Do Do	Do Do
			Mary Whitlock	Sister	Un	46	Do Do	Do Do	Do Do
			Wm Do	Wife	Un	42	Proprietor of Houses	Do Do	Do Do
			Elizabeth Dean	Sister	Un	14	Do Do	Do Do	Do Do
			Ann Do	Do	Un	15	Do Do	Do Do	Do Do
			Ann Davies	Do	Un	91	House Proprietor	Do Do	Do Do
73	Do	1	Harriet Turner	Head	Un	30	School Mistress	Do Do	Do Do
			Maria Do	Wife	Un	44	Do Do	Do Do	Do Do

Dates for the Diary, March to May



Please check the website regularly for any changes as well as for training events in our rooms

MARCH

- Fri 1 Bookings close for Buddy Course Fri 8 March 8.30am for 8.45-10.45am. Book on our website.
- Sat 2 Research 9.30am-12.30pm
- Mon 4 **In Rooms Training by Trisha Hyde 9.45am for 10am-noon.**
Prac 1 Excel. This is a practical session. Bring your laptop with you. Only 3 CFHRI laptops available. Advise Trisha when booking if you need one. Maximum attendees 10. Priority given to those who book first. Trisha will be sending files to you to load on your laptop. Please ensure you have them copied to your laptop or on USB. + **Prac 2 Excel [same conditions as above]**
- Wed 6 **Zoom Family Treemaker Group 2-4pm**
- Thur 7 Research 9.30am-4pm + **Hybrid Germany Group**
- Fri 8 **In Rooms Buddy Course 8.30am for 8.45am-10.45am**
Bookings close on Fri 1 March. Book on our website.
- Sat 9 Research 9.30am-12.30pm
- Mon 11 **In Rooms War Histories of Our Soldiers project 9am-11am**
- Thur 14 Research 9.30am-4pm + **Hybrid Groups Scotland noon-2pm & Ireland 2pm-4pm**
- Sat 16 Research 9.30am-12.30pm
- Mon 18 **Hybrid FamilySearch group 10am-noon**
+ Bookings close for Yandina Historic House & Museum carpool trip Mon 25 March. Book on our website.
- Mon 18 Sunshine Coast Council Harmony Week begins - see Council website
- Thur 21 Research 9.30am-noon + **In Rooms Writers Group 9.30am-11.30am**
+ Hybrid Members Meeting 1.30pm-4pm
Guest Speaker Les Clarke. Profile: Pioneer Caloundra professional fisherman.
Topic: "Clarke Family - Fishermen of Caloundra"
- Fri 22 **Hybrid DNA Group 10am-noon**
- Sat 23 Research 9.30am-4pm
- Mon 25 **Zoom Resources Group 7pm-8pm**
+ Yandina Historic House & Museum carpool trip. Depart rooms 9am for 38k trip to 3 Pioneer Road Yandina. Devonshire teas & light lunches available.

CHECK CFH WEBSITE FOR ANY CHANGES TO DATES

Museum shuts 1pm, house shuts 2.30pm. Free entry. Bookings close on Mon 18 March. Book on our website.

Thur 28 Research 9.30am-4pm + **Hybrid** England & Wales Group 1pm-3pm

APRIL

Mon 1 **Bookings close for Using AWM & NAA resources to Trace your Family Veteran/s War History Mon 8 April. Book on our website.**

Wed 3 **Zoom** Family Treemaker group 2pm-4pm

Thur 4 Research 9.30am-4pm + **Zoom** committee meeting + Hybrid Germany group 1-3pm

Sat 6 Research 9.30am-12.30pm

Mon 8 **In rooms War Histories of Our Soldiers project 9am-11am**
+ In rooms training by Trisha Hyde 1pm for 1.15-3.15pm Using Australian War Memorial & National Archives Australia to Trace your Family Veteran/s War History. Bookings close on Mon 1 April. Book on our website

Thur 11 Research 9.30am-4pm + **Hybrid** Groups Scotland noon-2pm & Ireland 2pm-4pm

Sat 13 Research 9.30am-12.30pm

Mon 15 **Hybrid** FamilySearch Group 10am-noon

+ Bookings close for QFHS carpool trip to Chermiside Mon 22 April. Book on our website

Thur 18 Research 9.30am-noon+**In rooms** Writers Group

9.30am-11.30am + **Hybrid Members Meeting 1.30pm-4pm**

Guest Speaker Ian Edwardson

Profile: CFHRI member, family & local historian

Topic: "They Passed This Way" - The story of what happened to the WWII units after they left Caloundra. AED & CPR Video

Fri 19 **Hybrid** DNA Group 10am-noon

Sat 20 Research 9.30am-4pm

Sun 21 **Bulcock Street walk 9.30am-10.30am. All walks registered with the National Trust's Australian Heritage Festival**

Mon 22 **Zoom** Resources Group 7-8pm

+ Carpool trip to Qld Family History Society 46 Delaware St, Chermiside to research. Rooms 8.30am-4.30pm. BYO lunch. Gold coin for tea/coffee. Small change for p/copying. \$10pp to driver [cheap research day] Bookings close on Mon 15 April. Book on our website.

+ Bookings close for Prac 1 & Prac 2 Mon 29 April. Book on our website

Thur 25 **Zoom only** England & Wales Group 1-3pm due to SCTC day race meeting on Anzac Day

SEE PAGE 34 FOR INTEREST GROUP TIMES AND CONTACTS

Sat 27 Research 9.30am-12.30pm

Sun 28 [Bulcock Beach walk 9.30am-10.30am](#)

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+ Prac 2 Excel [same close off date and conditions as above]

MAY

Wed 1 **Zoom** Family Treemaker Group 2pm-4pm

Thur 2 Research 9.30am-4pm + **Hybrid** Germany Group 1-3pm

Sat 4 Research 9.30am-12.30pm

Sun 5 [Bulcock Street walk 9.30am-10.30am](#)

Thur 9 Research 9.30am-4pm + **Hybrid** Groups Scotland noon-2pm & Ireland 2pm-4pm

Sat 11 Research 9.30am-12.30pm

Sun 12 [Bulcock Beach walk 9.30am-10.30am](#)

Mon 13 **In rooms War Histories of Our Soldiers project 9am-11am**

Thur 16 Research 9.30am-noon

+In rooms Writers Group 9.30am-11.30am

+ Hybrid members meeting 1.30pm-4pm

31st Birthday afternoon tea. Guest Speaker Garry Reynolds

Profile: Historian, author and columnist with an economic history degree specialising in railway history. Topic: "Station of the Cross"

Fri 17 **Hybrid** DNA Group 10am-noon

Sat 18 Research 9.30am-4pm

Mon 20 **Hybrid** FamilySearch Group 10am-noon

Thur 23 Research 9.30am-4pm

+ Hybrid England & Wales Group 1pm-3pm

Sat 25 Research 9.30am-12.30pm

Mon 27 **Zoom** Resources Group 7-8pm

Thur 30 Research 9.30am-4pm

Fri 31 **Bookings close for Using Object & Places in Family History Fri 7 June. Book on our**

Please check the CFH website for changes



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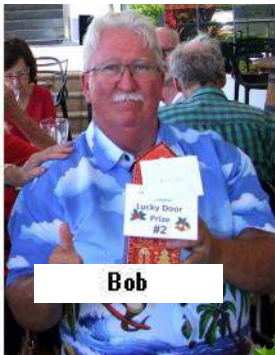
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Christmas party fun



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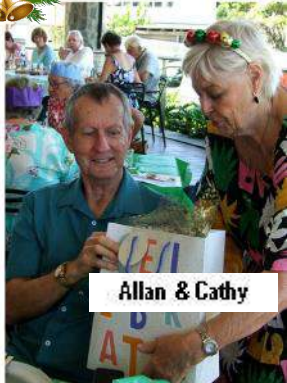
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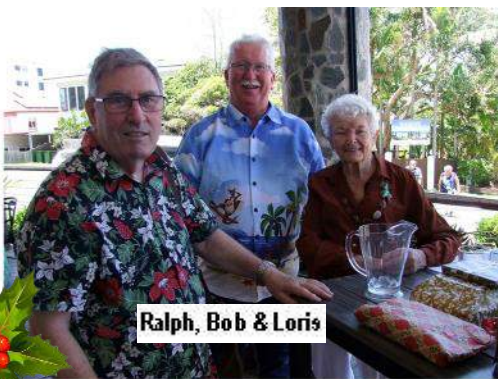
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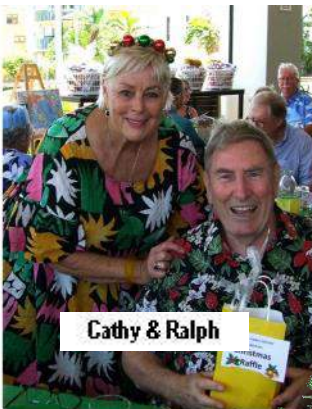
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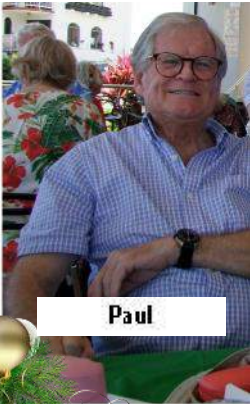
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Bob with trivia map

After You're Gone: Future Proofing Your Genealogy Research

By Thomas MacEntee, of Genealogy Bargains

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TRY AS we might, we really have little control over what will happen to our possessions, even our bodies, after we die. Yes we can draw up legal documents, we can express our wishes to family members and more; however, there are no guarantees when it comes to these matters. The best we can do is prepare, plan and communicate now.

When it comes to your years of genealogy research and material, what plans have you made to ensure that it doesn't die with you? Here's some advice on creating a realistic plan to get your "genealogy affairs" in order so that the next generation of researchers can benefit from your years of hard work.

The Perils of Inaction: Lost Genealogy

To gain some insight as to what could possibly happen to all your genealogy stuff, simply read the haunting story *Cleaning Mother's House* by genealogist Michael John Neill. As you hear the words, just imagine one of your children or grandchildren being in the same situation and not knowing the importance of your genealogy research.

You have a responsibility to safeguard your research and to make sure it gets passed on properly. If you don't act now, someone else will act on your behalf.

Basic Planning and Data Successorship

How can you create a plan for the future of your genealogy research without knowing what you have? The first step is to create an inventory of ALL of your items.

Hard Copy Items

Use a special notebook, a document on your computer, or a spreadsheet. Just get it down in writing and also realize that you should update it

periodically. The most important items to include in this essential document or folder are:

- Genealogy research binders, folders and stack of paper
- Genealogy books and magazines purchased over the years
- Photos, slides, negatives, videos, CD-ROMs
- Technology items such as scanners, software programs, flash drives
- Miscellaneous items such as audio recordings, gadgets, etc.

It helps if you label each item or include a note; remember that the person cleaning out your possessions may not be a genealogist.

Digital Items

And what about your genealogy data? You may not realize how much information you have and where it is stored. The easiest way to organize all your digital assets is to create two backups: one in the cloud and one on an external drive or CD-ROM.

Genealogy database files

Scanned photographs and documents

Digital books, magazines and guides

Digital writings such as PDFs and blog posts you've written

Emails from family and other researchers as well as emails that you've sent

Any other items you believe are important including social media posts

Online Profiles

More and more, genealogists are leveraging online websites, apps and social media for research purposes and to connect with others. While you may not have valuable information stored at these sites, at a minimum you should allow family members to disable or shut down accounts. This way your followers are informed and also it avoids having these accounts hacked or mis-used.

Create a list of website names, their URLs (addresses) and login credentials.

Keep the list in a safe place – print out and keep with estate planning papers or store online with a master password to access the list; make sure your executor knows the password.

Working with Societies, Libraries and Archives

There are many “myths” about being able to donate your genealogy to organizations, for example:

“You can donate any and all of your genealogy ‘stuff” to the National Archives.”

False: The National Archives is the archivist of record for the government; it does not typically archive personal items.

“You can donate your genealogy to the Library of Congress.”

Partially true: The Library of Congress does accept published genealogies and other items of importance.

If you plan on donating anything related to your genealogy to an archive, a library or a genealogy society, here is a plan you should follow:

- **Contact the organization.** Always check a repository’s policies before making a donation or directing your executor to make a donation.
- **Inform family members.** Let your family or friends know what your plans are involving the organization.
- **Include a monetary donation.** It costs money to process donated materials no matter how well organized those items may be. If possible, make sure you include a financial donation to the institution. Another option is to direct your executor to sell off specific items to raise money for preservation of the collection.

Finally, realize that you can always donate items NOW rather than after your passing. By donating now you have more power to direct how the items will be used and which organizations can benefit from those items.

Technology to the Rescue

As with other industries and even hobbies, genealogy has moved into the digital realm, for better or for worse. Advantages include the ability to preserve fragile items through scanning and digitization as well as the ability to share items with other researchers. Disadvantages include the ability to easily delete items with the touch of a key or failing to update technology like moving from floppy discs to flash drives. And there is also the fear of having your digital items stolen or “hacked.”

Another idea is to utilize one or more websites that offer a virtual “lock box” for digital items including photos and documents such as **Protect Their Memories**. Or create your own using DropBox or Google Drive since online services can and do go out of business from time to time (remember **MyFamily.com?**).

Best Practices for Genealogy Future Proofing

In summary, here are some tips of future proofing your genealogy research and making sure it is preserved for others to use for generations to come:

- **Take inventory.** Determine what you have and this includes hard copy as well as digital assets and online sites.
- **Include in estate planning.** Create a codicil to your will or make sure there are some form of instructions concerning your genealogy research.
- **Backup your data.** Backing up your genealogy data is a good habit for the living and it will keep all your info in one place for your executor.
- **Futureproof your technology.** CD-ROM discs degrade over time. Negatives and movie films can fade and fall apart. Transfer items to digital ASAP.
- **Have that conversation with your family.** Be very clear about where your genealogy research is located, why it is important, and what you want done with it.
- **Contact organizations.** Determine which libraries, societies and archives will accept all or part of your collection. Donate items you don't need NOW.
- **Post items online.** Consider starting a blog – even a private one – to preserve your family stories. Do the same with a family tree on Ancestry or one of the popular genealogy sites.
- **Do stuff NOW.** Tell your own stories NOW. Write that genealogy book NOW. Interview family members NOW.

Overleaf: Internet resources

Resources**Articles and Books****5 Tips for Donating Your Genealogy**

<https://www.familyhistoryfanatics.com/donating-your-genealogy>

Cleaning Mother's House

<https://rootdig.blogspot.com/2010/11/cleaning-mothers-house.html>

Donating Your Personal or Family Records to a Repository

<https://www2.archivists.org/publications/brochures/donating-familyrecs>

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Organizations Accepting Items**Allen County Public Library**

<http://www.genealogycenter.org/Donate.aspx>

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Not a military family? – think again

By Ian Edwardson

I WOULDN'T say I'm a particularly warlike person and I never considered our family to have had much of a military connection.

But when I began adding up uncles and cousins who've put the uniform on, and delved into the family history, I've had to change my ideas.

I hadn't really thought about it before but the family was well-represented in the Vietnam and post-Vietnam era with two cousins and a brother in the army and two cousins in the air force. World War II saw a tri-service effort with two uncles in the army, one in the air force, an uncle in the navy and an aunt in the WRANS. Dad's brother Hubert served as a civilian instructor on a Royal Navy Fleet Air Arm base on England's south coast.

I knew nothing of any World War I Service until 1993, when I was telling my mother about my travels overseas with the contingent bringing the Unknown Soldier back from the Western Front. "You know you've got an uncle buried over there, don't you?"

No I didn't -- and it took a long time to go looking for where Uncle Watty Brown was buried in case it was one of the cemeteries I'd visited. But he wasn't.

I had a vague memory of an old sepia photograph of a man in uniform hanging on my grandmother's wall. It turned out to be Uncle Watty's brother George, wounded in France in 1918.

All this led to the discovery that grandfather Cass had been evacuated from Gallipoli and sent home after a bad dose of typhoid fever. And the fact that he'd been discharged, then re-enlisted as a recruiting sergeant. No one had ever spoken of this, probably because he'd been long gone -- killed in a sawmill accident in 1927.

There was another family connection to the Great War. My English aunt's father was called up from the reserve in 1914, after serving with the Royal Marine Light Infantry from 1897 to 1905. He served at Gallipoli and I was amazed to find his unit had fought alongside grandfather Cass's battalion at the Quinn's Post battle in May 1915. After the Gallipoli evacuation he spent the rest of the war in a gun crew protecting Scapa Flow in the bleak north of Scotland.

Grandfather Edwardson served as a sergeant with the Special Reserve

Battalion of the East Surrey Regiment, responsible for home defence, while holding down his civilian job as a marine insurance assessor with Lloyds of London.

I'd known about my grandmother's connection to Queen Victoria's army through an inscribed tankard presented to her father when he served in Hong Kong with the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers. She'd actually been born during the unit's stay in Singapore. Great-grandfather Hamilton McMillen and his brother Joshua had retired in the early 1890s after more than 20 years' service, but there was also a World War I connection.

Both re-enlisted at the outbreak of war, with Hamilton aged 63 and Joshua 65. Hamilton lasted just one day before he was discharged because of his age. Hamilton was commissioned and served throughout the war as a quartermaster.

During their earlier service as "soldiers of the Queen", Joshua and Hamilton served together at Gibraltar. Joshua had previously served at Malta while Hamilton, apart from his Asian service, spent a number of years in South Africa and Mauritius.

My mother's side of the family has a history dating back to the early settlement of America. In the Indian wars of 1676-1739 I've found four ancestors with military rank in the Massachusetts Bay Colony. Having said that, most simply lived in "garrison houses", commanding small groups of neighbours against Indians and French marauders. The four included 8x greatuncle Ensign John Maynard and his son John; 7x greatuncle Capt Nathan Brigham, and Sgt Simon Maynard all of Marlboro; and 7x great-grandfather Captain Joseph Cass of Hampton.

Three Cass ancestors fought in the War of Independence in the 3rd New Hampshire Regiment -- Ensign Jonathan Cass, Sergeant Daniel Cass and Pte Moses Cass. All fought at the historic battle of Bunker Hill. Daniel also fought with the 1st Regiment during the war. Other battles and campaigns included the Battle of Saratoga and the invasion of Canada.

A somewhat more distant connection is Captain Michael Barrus, father-in-law of cousin Nathan Cass (1777-1854), who took part in the siege of Fort Ticonderoga in 1777.

The Cass name comes up again in the American Civil War. Father and son Jarvis and Anson Cass fought with the 16th and 5th New Hampshire

regiments respectively. Twenty-one-year-old Anson enlisted in late 1861 and was discharged disabled in early 1863. His father, a venerable (for the time) 49-year-old enlisted as a “nine-months man” in late 1862 and died of disease in New Orleans, two months short of his discharge date. And to round it off, the husband of cousin Grace Ellen Cass (1854-1939), Hugh Tidball, served with the 16th Ohio Volunteer Regiment.

More detailed research will could probably unearth even more veterans but scratching the surface has already made me re-think my family's military history.

Inspirational advice

“People say nothing is impossible, but I do nothing every day.”

– A. A. Milne

“The best thing about the future is that it comes one day at a time.”

– Abraham Lincoln

“The only mystery is why the kamikaze pilots wore helmets.” – Al McGuire

“I’m supposed to respect my elders, but it’s getting harder and harder for me to find one.” – June Blackburn

“Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.” – Alan Dundes

“Hard work never killed anybody, but why take a chance?”

– Edward Bergen

“Nobody realizes that some people expend tremendous energy merely to be normal.” – Albert Camus

“All the things I really like to do are either immoral, illegal or fattening.”

– Alexander Woolcott

“Telling an introvert to go to a party is like telling a saint to go to Hell.”

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“The difference between stupidity and genius is that genius has its limits.”

– Albert Einstein



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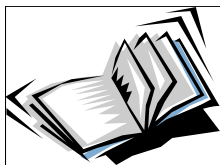
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The Explorers’ Tree Oct: My ancestral mothers; The Kirk, Quirk, Quick debate; John Ross, Convict labourer on the 1st road over the Blue Mountains in 1814.

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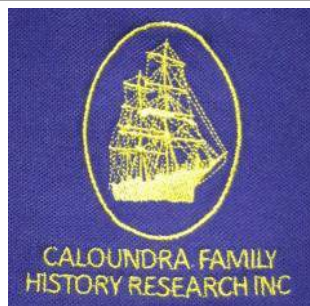
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